LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m. on **TUESDAY**, **FEBRUARY 14, 2006**, upon the application of **EMPRESSA ENERGY**, **L.P.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of Orders pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Hosston Zone**, **Reservoir A**; the Cotton **Valley Formation**, **Reservoir A**; and the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, being designated LCV RA SU104.
- 2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed additional unit in accordance with Section 10, Title 30, of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
- 3. To designate a unit well for, and unit operator of, the proposed additional units as may be appropriate.
- 4. To permit Applicant to combine downhole production from the Hosston Zone, Reservoir A; the Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A; and the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A; or any combination thereof, in the wellbore of any existing or future wells located on the identical units designated HOSS RA SU72, CV RA SU78 and LCV RA SU104, in which the interests in these units are identical.
- 5. To extend, except as in conflict herewith, the provisions of the Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996, as amended and supplemented by the Order No. 361-E Series of Office of Conservation Orders, to the proposed additional unit.
- 6. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Hosston Zone, Reservoir A, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-A-1, effective October 1, 1972, and was further defined in subsequent Orders of the 361-A Series of Office of Conservation Orders.

The Cotton Valley Formation, Reservoir A, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-B, effective October 1, 1973, and was further defined in subsequent Orders of the 361-B Series of Office of Conservation Orders.

The Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996.

A plat is available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana.

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

- 7 -<u>ELM GROVE FIELD</u> 06-129 thru 06-131

BY ORDER OF:

JAMES H. WELSH COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 1/10/06;1/13/06 S dnp

IF ACCOMMODATIONS ARE REQUIRED UNDER AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE ADVISE THE OFFICE OF CONSERVATION-ENGINEERING DIVISION AT P.O. BOX 94275, BATON ROUGE, LA 70804-9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.